

Section 2.4 problems:

Problem 4 solution:

First we note that $M(x, y) = \sqrt{-2y - y^2}$ depends only on y and $N(x, y) = 3 + 2x - x^2$ depends only on x . So, the equation is separable. It is not linear with x as independent variable because $M(x, y)$ is not a linear function of y . Similarly, it is not linear with y as independent variable because $N(x, y)$ is not a linear function of x . Computing

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} &= \frac{1}{2} (-2y - y^2)^{-1/2} (-2 - 2y) = -\frac{1 + y}{\sqrt{-2y - y^2}}, \\ \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} &= 2 - 2x,\end{aligned}$$

we see that the equation (5) in Theorem 2 is not satisfied. Therefore, the equation is not exact.

Problem 6 solution:

It is separable, linear with x as independent variable, and not exact because

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = x \neq \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = 0.$$

Problem 8 solution:

Here, $M(x, y) = 2x + y \cos(xy)$, $N(x, y) = x \cos(xy) - 2y$. Since $M(x, y)/N(x, y)$ cannot be expressed as a product $f(x)g(y)$, the equation is not separable. We also conclude that it is not linear because $M(x, y)/N(x, y)$ is not a linear function of y and $N(x, y)/M(x, y)$ is not a linear function of x . Taking partial derivatives

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \cos(xy) - xy \sin(xy) = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x},$$

we see that the equation is exact.

Problem 16 solution:

Computing

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (ye^{xy} - y^{-1}) = e^{xy} + xy e^{xy} + y^{-2}, \\ \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (xe^{xy} + xy^{-2}) = e^{xy} + xy e^{xy} + y^{-2},\end{aligned}$$

we see that the equation is exact. Therefore,

$$F(x, y) = \int (ye^{xy} - y^{-1}) dx = e^{xy} - xy^{-1} + g(y).$$

So,

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = xe^{xy} + xy^{-2} + g'(y) = N(x, y) \quad \Rightarrow \quad g'(y) = 0.$$

Thus, $g(y) = 0$, and the answer is $e^{xy} - xy^{-1} = C$.

Problem 20 solution:

We find

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [y \cos(xy)] = \cos(xy) - xy \sin(xy), \\ \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [x \cos(xy)] = \cos(xy) - xy \sin(xy).\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the equation is exact and

$$\begin{aligned}F(x, y) &= \int (x \cos(xy) - y^{-1/3}) dy = \sin(xy) - \frac{3}{2} y^{2/3} + h(x) \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} &= y \cos(xy) + h'(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} + y \cos(xy) \\ \Rightarrow \quad h'(x) &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad h(x) = 2 \arcsin x,\end{aligned}$$

and a general solution is given by

$$\sin(xy) - \frac{3}{2} y^{2/3} + 2 \arcsin x = C.$$

Problem 26 solution:

Taking partial derivatives M_y and N_x , we find that the equation is exact. So,

$$\begin{aligned} F(x, y) &= \int (\tan y - 2) dx = x(\tan y - 2) + g(y), \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} &= x \sec^2 y + g'(y) = x \sec^2 y + y^{-1} \\ \Rightarrow \quad g'(y) &= y^{-1} \quad \Rightarrow \quad g(y) = \ln |y|, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$x(\tan y - 2) + \ln |y| = C$$

is a general solution. Substituting $y(0) = 1$ yields $C = 0$. Therefore, the answer is

$$x(\tan y - 2) + \ln y = 0.$$

(We removed the absolute value sign in the logarithmic function because $y(0) > 0$.)

Problem 30 solution:

(a) Differentiating, we find that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} &= 5x^2 + 12x^3y + 8xy, \\ \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} &= 6x^2 + 12x^3y + 6xy. \end{aligned}$$

Since $M_y \neq N_x$, the equation is not exact.

(b) Multiplying given equation by $x^n y^m$ and taking partial derivatives of new coefficients yields

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dy} (5x^{n+2}y^{m+1} + 6x^{n+3}y^{m+2} + 4x^{n+1}y^{m+2}) \\ &= 5(m+1)x^{n+2}y^m + 6(m+2)x^{n+3}y^{m+1} + 4(m+2)x^{n+1}y^{m+1} \\ \frac{d}{dx} (2x^{n+3}y^m + 3x^{n+4}y^{m+1} + 3x^{n+2}y^{m+1}) \\ &= 2(n+3)x^{n+2}y^m + 3(n+4)x^{n+3}y^{m+1} + 3(n+2)x^{n+1}y^{m+1}. \end{aligned}$$

In order that these polynomials are equal, we must have equal coefficients at similar monomials. Thus, n and m must satisfy the system

$$\begin{cases} 5(m+1) = 2(n+3) \\ 6(m+2) = 3(n+4) \\ 4(m+2) = 3(n+2). \end{cases}$$

Solving, we obtain $n = 2$ and $m = 1$. Therefore, multiplying the given equation by x^2y yields an exact equation.

(c) We find

$$\begin{aligned} F(x, y) &= \int (5x^4y^2 + 6x^5y^3 + 4x^3y^3) dx \\ &= x^5y^2 + x^6y^3 + x^4y^3 + g(y). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} &= 2x^5y + 3x^6y^2 + 3x^4y^2 + g'(y) \\ &= 2x^5y + 3x^6y^2 + 3x^4y^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad g(y) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

and a general solution to the given equation is

$$x^5y^2 + x^6y^3 + x^4y^3 = C.$$

Section 2.5 problems

Problem 10 solution:

Since

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 1, \quad \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = -1, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{M_y - N_x}{N} = \frac{2}{-x},$$

the equation has an integrating factor

$$\mu(x) = \exp \left[\int \left(-\frac{2}{x} \right) dx \right] = \exp(-2 \ln x) = x^{-2}.$$

Therefore, the equation

$$x^{-2} [(x^4 - x + y) dx - x dy] = (x^2 - x^{-1} + x^{-2}y) dx - x^{-1} dy = 0$$

is exact. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} F(x, y) &= \int (-x^{-1}) dy = -x^{-1}y + h(x), \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} &= x^{-2}y + h'(x) = x^2 - x^{-1} + x^{-2}y \\ \Rightarrow \quad h'(x) &= x^2 - x^{-1} \quad \Rightarrow \quad h(x) = \frac{x^3}{3} - \ln|x| \\ \Rightarrow \quad -\frac{y}{x} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \ln|x| &= C \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = \frac{x^4}{3} - x \ln|x| - Cx. \end{aligned}$$

Together with the lost solution, $x \equiv 0$, this gives a general solution to the problem.

Problem 14 solution:

Multiplying the given equation by $x^n y^m$ yields

$$(12x^n y^m + 5x^{n+1} y^{m+1}) dx + (6x^{n+1} y^{m-1} + 3x^{n+2} y^m) dy = 0.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} &= 12m x^n y^{m-1} + 5(m+1)x^{n+1} y^m, \\ \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} &= 6(n+1)x^n y^{m-1} + 3(n+2)x^{n+1} y^m. \end{aligned}$$

Matching the coefficients, we get a system

$$\begin{cases} 12m = 6(n + 1) \\ 5(m + 1) = 3(n + 2) \end{cases}$$

to determine n and m . This system has the solution $n = 3$, $m = 2$. Thus, the given equation multiplied by x^3y^2 , that is,

$$(12x^3y^2 + 5x^4y^3) dx + (6x^4y + 3x^5y^2) dy = 0,$$

is exact. We compute

$$\begin{aligned} F(x, y) &= \int (12x^3y^2 + 5x^4y^3) dx = 3x^4y^2 + x^5y^3 + g(y), \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} &= 6x^4y + 3x^5y^2 + g'(y) = 6x^4y + 3x^5y^2 \\ \Rightarrow g'(y) &= 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad g(y) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

and so $3x^4y^2 + x^5y^3 = C$ is a general solution to the given equation.

Problem 20 solution:

For the equation

$$e^{\int P(x)dx} [P(x)y - Q(x)] dx + e^{\int P(x)dx} dy = 0,$$

we compute

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(e^{\int P(x)dx} [P(x)y - Q(x)] \right) = e^{\int P(x)dx} P(x), \\ \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(e^{\int P(x)dx} \right) = e^{\int P(x)dx} \frac{d}{dx} \left(\int P(x)dx \right) = e^{\int P(x)dx} P(x). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\partial M/\partial y = \partial N/\partial x$, and the equation is exact.